

HOUSE BILL 335

**47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2006**

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO SUPPLEMENT THE WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM IT AND TO REDUCE HOME ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN NEW MEXICO; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the department of finance and administration for disbursement to the New Mexico mortgage finance authority for expenditure in fiscal years 2006 and 2007 to supplement the weatherization assistance program, as well as the low-income home energy assistance program and other programs providing energy assistance to low-income families to provide low-cost energy-efficiency measures and energy education to eligible

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1 households, to provide energy education resources, to provide  
2 high-efficiency heating systems and other appliances and to  
3 increase participation in the weatherization assistance  
4 program. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at  
5 the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

6 Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public  
7 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.